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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

(1) The paragraph from page 2, line 20, to page 2, line 31 has been amended as follows:

In order to achieve the above object, in the first aspect of the present invention, the water activation device is comprised of: a body which is made of conductive material and has an in-flow opening and an out-flow opening; a cover member which is made of conductive material and covers an outer surface of the body through insulation material therebetween and is insulated from water pipes; a plurality of holders overlapped with one another in an axial direction of the body, each of the holders being formed of a retainer having a plurality of flow openings; and an a plurality of activation material units each being formed in a small cylindrical lump containing minerals as a main component. The plural activation material units are placed in an overlapping manner without contacting with one another along a direction of a water flow in an internal space of the body.

(2) The paragraph from page 3, line 7, to page 3, line 12 has been amended as follows:

In the fourth aspect of the water activation device of the present invention, a plurality of flow openings are formed on a retainer of the holder that holds the activation material units, and wherein an outer perimeter of said the retainer is Serial No. : 10/628,015
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substantially fitted with an inner surface of the internal space of the body.

(3) The paragraph from page 5, line 2, to page 5, line 4 has been amended as follows:

Figures Figure 1 is a perspective view including a partial cross section of an example of a water activation device of the present invention.

(4) The paragraph from page 5, line 5, to page 5, line 6 has been amended as follows:

Figures Figure 2 is a cross sectional view of the water activation device of the present invention.

(5) The paragraph from page 5, line 26, to page 6, line 2 has been amended as follows:

Preferred embodiments of the present invention will be described with reference to the accompanied accompanying drawings. Figures Figure 1 is a perspective view including a partial cross section of an example of a water activation device of the present invention, Figures Figure 2 is a cross sectional view of the water activation device, Figure 3 shows an outside view of the holder used in the water activation device including a partial cross sectional view, Figure 4 is a plan view of the holder used in the water activation device of the present invention, Figure 5 is a bottom view of the holder, Figure 6 is a cross sectional view of the holder taken along the A-A line of Figure 4.

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(6) The paragraph from page 8, line 27, to page 8, line 35 has been amended as follows:

Moreover, various turbulent flows such as the turning flow a, the inner deflected flow b, and the outer deflected flow c are generated such as shown in Figure 6 Figures 3 and 6 when the water flows through the turning slope surfaces 23a, inner slope surfaces 23b, and outer slope surfaces 23c provided on the retainer 20, where the friction and collision of the water molecules generate electrons to create reduced water, which flows out as activated water from the out-flow opening 13b (Figures 1 and 2).